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90 Lives are Lost When Dormant Volcano Erupts

(By Associated Press)
BATAVIA, Java, Dec. 19.—Ninety lives are feared to have been lost today as the eruption of Merapi, a great volcano which had been dormant for eighty years, continued.

A menacing rumble had been heard for the past two weeks but the volcano had a sudden awakening yesterday, boiling lava blasting off the top of the mountain, and showering ashes over the countryside.

The eruption caught many natives in their fields, unprepared for a general exodus. Many villages have been evacuated.

Car Hits Bridge; Five Men Killed

(By Associated Press)
LEWISBURG, Penna., Dec. 19.—Five young men were killed and one possibly injured internally when their automobile hit a concrete bridge across the Susquehanna River near here.

The machine, which was crowded off the road by another automobile going in the same direction, turned over several times.

No Free Bread to Those Driving Cars

(By Associated Press)
CORSIC, N. Edens, Corns, who gave away 470 loaves of bread yesterday to the hungry, announced today that the rations would be discontinued to those coming after the bread in automobiles.

"If they are able to buy gasoline they are able to buy their own bread," Edens explained.

Conservation Meet Called for Waco

(By Associated Press)
AUSTIN, Dec. 19.—Governor Moody today issued a call for a general conservation meeting to be held at Waco January 6, to consider soil and water conservation in Texas.

Mrs. Emma Knotts and grandson, Ray Hancock, have returned to their home at Washington, D. C., after being here at the funeral of Mrs. Knotts' brother, R. T. Trail.

Northington Gets Guard Promotion

K. V. Northington received notice from the adjutant general's department Thursday evening that he had successfully passed the examination and was promoted to the rank of first lieutenant in the Texas National Guard. Northington, who is the second ranking officer in the Ballinger company, took the examination for the higher rating some time ago. Ross Murchison, first lieutenant and commander of the local unit since the transfer of Capt. C. H. Dobbs about a year ago, will soon stand the examination for captain.

Lieut. Northington has been serving with the company for several years as a second lieutenant in that rank. He and Lieut. Murchison have been the only two commissioned officers in company C for the past year, but as soon as possible the vacant position of second lieutenant will be filled.

Company C, 142nd Infantry, Texas National Guard has made one of the best showings of any unit in the division under its present officers. The roster has been maintained at full strength and each Monday night a large percentage of the men are present for drill and instruction. The officers keep the men well informed on military affairs and equipment is always in the best of shape.

Company C has for an armory an entire building on Seventh Street, the building being divided into orderly room, offices, store room and indoor drilling space.

Bond Issue Hearing Set for January 3

The commissioners' court of Runnels county was in special session here all day Thursday to receive petitions from precinct No. 2 asking that a road bond election be ordered for that district. After the lists were received a hearing was set by the court for Saturday, January 3, and a notice is being prepared for the hearing which will be held at the court house at 10 a. m.

The petitions asked that all of the commissioner's precinct be included in the new road district and that bonds aggregating \$160,000 be voted for the construction of later roads. Of this amount \$44,000 will be used to retire bonds outstanding against the district, and the remainder is for construction. After the hearing, if the court sees fit, the election can be ordered immediately and held 30 days after notice is published.

A few weeks ago parties were here from Winterville to discuss the matter with the authorities and at the last meeting of the committee, Joe Mapes, commissioner precinct 2, asked the court to create another precinct.

Christmas Spirit Is Lions' Program

Twenty-seven members of the Lions Club were present Friday for the regular weekly luncheon and to hear the Christmas program. The meetings was filled with enthusiasm and declared to be one of the best held so far by the club.

Mrs. Lizabell Schermerhorn at the piano and Miss Katherine Todd, violinist, furnished the entertainment numbers for the club Friday and were recalled for their third number. A storm of applause greeted these popular Ballinger entertainers and when they were recalled for a third number the club's appreciation of them was shown.

Rev. T. E. Bowman brought a great message to the club Friday on the "Meaning of the Christmas Spirit." In opening his talk to the Lions the speaker declared that happiness and joy are what it takes to have the real spirit of Christmas. He pointed out that though the Master was often called the man of sorrow and grief, yet he brought more happiness to the world than anything else.

Rev. Bowman showed how it was possible to receive the maximum amount of happiness by doing for others. By bringing happiness to those downhearted and suffering from poverty was the one sure way to bring happiness to one's self.

He urged that people give more to those unable to afford the necessities and less to the friend who has the comforts of life. These things he pointed out as the real way to have the Christmas spirit and recommended them to the Lions for this year.

Chick Raising Outdoor Sport to Mrs. Doak



Mrs. William Doak, wife of the new secretary of labor, like her job of feeding 300 chickens at the Doak country home. But the family Polly (upper right) objects to her new place in the limelight.

By Sue McNamara
WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Raising chickens is the hobby of Mrs. William Doak, wife of the secretary of labor.

On a sunny, wind-swept hill here "Notre Nid," the Doak herches, Mrs. Doak dons an apron, romps with the white colliers and feeds 300 chickens.

Almost an invalid 10 years ago Mrs. Doak now ascribes her health to tending chickens, carrying rocks for steps and walls and enjoying her breezy hilltop.

The Doaks will not give up their country home even though he is in the cabinet. They like "Our Nest," English version of "Notre Nid," so named by Mrs. Doak.

The white house with its terraces and gardens is set in the midst of encircling hills. Surrounding cliffs are a mass of grey winter woodland.

"We will probably take a suite at a hotel where we can entertain our friends this winter," says Mrs. Doak, "but every night we will come back out here. This is home."

And it is indeed a home. One feels it in the welcoming tail-wag of Pete, the white poodle, picked up on the streets by Mrs. Doak; in the smile of the negro who serves tea.

Richmond and Fannie, two other servants who have been with the family for years, have a little home of their own higher on the hill. A dog house is being built for the three large dogs, but Pete, the waif from the streets, settles down with satisfaction on his silken cushion in the home of a cabinet officer.

Polly the parrot is the only one to suffer from Doak's new job. She's afraid of photographers' flashlights and suspicious of every box that enters the house. Once a gay, light-hearted bird she now greets callers with a suggestive "good-bye."

All Cars Must Park Inside Landing Field Here Monday

Ballinger's airport, one mile north of the city, just across the highway from Hillcrest addition, has been put in shape for the big program and Christmas party here next Monday. J. D. Motley, secretary of the chamber of commerce, stated Friday that the fliers had placed their okeh on the landing field, that all markers and air socks were in place, parking space was being arranged, and special guards employed to look after the thousand automobiles expected to park there early in the day.

Everyone who drives a car to the airport for the program is requested to drive inside the field as quickly as possible and not stop on the highway. This precaution is to avoid accidents on the concrete highway where automobiles rush by constantly at a high rate of speed. Parking space is to be provided for all adjoining the field and as several thousand machines can be accommodated the motorists can remain in their cars to watch the planes take off and land. To see the program and air circus spectators will have to be out of their cars, but everybody is requested to stay off the field so the aviators can land and hop off without danger to anyone.

Word from Clinesmith headquarters Friday was to the effect that the fleet would arrive here early Saturday and remain until Monday night. Saturday afternoon the ships will leave here for a tour of Runnels county and Ballinger's trade territory to distribute circulars advertising the air circus Monday. There will be space for seven passengers at \$10 each for the trip over the entire county. Saturday afternoon and Sunday the fliers will take passengers for rides over the city, and any type plane can be picked

Robinson Picked As Presidential Candidate in '32

(By Associated Press)
DALLAS, Dec. 19.—Jed C. Adams, of Dallas, Democratic national committeeman for Texas, today announced that Senator Joseph T. Robinson, of Arkansas, was his choice as the 1932 presidential nominee.

Governor Dan Moody yesterday picked Senator Thomas J. Walsh, of Montana, to lead the party in 1932.

Adams also said he believed the chance for a third party, composed of prohibitionists drawn from both major parties, were good.

Official Tells Where Czar's Ashes Rest

(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Dec. 19.—The New York Times today published an interview with Franklin Clark Harbin, Manchuria, saying that the ashes of Czar Nicholas II, and other members of the Romanoff family who were murdered by the bolsheviks, were unknowingly spirited through the bolshevist lines to Harbin on an American consular train.

The story added that the ashes of the former Russian emperor now rest in the Paris burial vault of General Janin, French commander of the Czech Legionnaires in Siberia after the World War.

Employment Bill Sent to Committee

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—The \$116,000,000 emergency employment relief bill was returned to conference by the House today after the House insisted upon its stand against the Senate amendments.

The bill otherwise was acceptable to the House.

Calling Cards, printed on short notice. Phone 27, we do the rest.

WEATHER FORECAST

(By Associated Press)
West Texas—Fair tonight and Saturday. Freezing in the southeast portion tonight.

East Texas—Mostly fair tonight and Saturday. Colder in the south and east portions tonight; freezing in the interior, frost on the coast.

Clinesmith's Flying Devils will be in Ballinger Saturday, Dec. 20th to cover over 100 miles of trade territory by air, billing each town for Monday's Free Christmas Party. There will be room for seven passengers in either cabin or open ships. Amount of fare for entire trip \$10. Reserve your tickets early from J. D. Motley, Chamber of Commerce office.

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Gas Well Blows Pipe Half Mile from Hole

Launch Capsizes; 9 Believed Lost

(By Associated Press)
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 19.—Six, and possibly nine, persons are believed to have been drowned as the result of the capsizing of their launch, which was caught in a strong outgoing tide near Golden Gate yesterday.

Relatives reported nine members of two families are missing from the little fishing village of Marshall, near the scene of the sinking.

Heavy seas prevented the coast guard from rendering aid.

Hidalgo Men are Freed by Court

(By Associated Press)
HOUSTON, Dec. 19.—All seven of the men who stood with the once-dominant A. Y. Baker political organization in Hidalgo county, today had won their final major fight with the government and were freed.

The seven, several former officials, had been charged by the federal authorities with conspiracy in connection with the throwing out of the ballots of the Westaco box, in the 1928 election. All the remaining defendants were given liberty yesterday.

Baker never came to trial, dying from paralysis before his case was called.

Druggist Averts Tyler Jail Break

(By Associated Press)
TYLER, Tex., Dec. 19.—An attempt by three men to escape from the Smith county jail here last night was frustrated after the trio had slugged Jailer Winnifred Green while he was locking up the prisoners for the night.

Danly Warren, a druggist whose store is nearby, heard the cries for help and called the sheriff. The officer with a posse of citizens reached the jail before the prisoners could make an exit.

CHRISTMAS Sale

Every Article in the Store Has Been Reduced 1/3 to 1/2

This offers Christmas shoppers a wonderful chance for big savings on good standard merchandise.

1 lot \$5.00 Shoes go at	\$2.50
1 lot \$5.00 Trousers	\$2.50
1 lot \$2 and \$2.50 Shirts	95c
1 lot Hats, \$5.00 values	\$2.00
1 lot Ties, \$1.00 values	69c
1 lot Winter Underwear, \$1.25 val.	85c

MANY OTHER ITEMS AT BIG SAVINGS!

BIGBY'S

Daily Ledger

Every Day Except Sunday by Ballinger Printing Company... Published at the post-office at Ballinger as second-class mail matter...

everyone should come to the Yuletide season happy and contented.

HOW'S your HEALTH?



KNOWING THE ENEMY In 1884, two years after Robert Koch discovered the tubercle bacillus, he announced the discovery of tuberculin, a substance which he claimed would prove a specific cure for tuberculosis.

With the return here this week end of many college and university students social events will start to happen and for the next ten days happiness and gaiety will come to the homes that have been quiet since the children departed early in September.

People who have boxes of presents to mail will do well to place a "Please do not open until Christmas" label on their packages and mail at once. This is predated for every year and still the postal employees are rushed to death at the last minute in an effort to give the best of service to every patron.

Winters citizens will hold their annual chamber of commerce get-together January 22 at Winters and will have a good report to make for the past year's work. S. W. Cooper, secretary of the Winters Chamber of Commerce, has affiliated himself with every progressive move for the betterment of Winters and Runtless county since accepting that position and his accomplishments have been many.

A check-up of completed projects and progress made here during the past twelve months will show one of the biggest years in the history of Ballinger. This work has been done from several different sources and some was started many years ago when far-sighted citizens realized coming needs and started agitation that is just now being completed.

HERE'S A TYPICAL VILLAGE CHRISTMAS WATOGA, W. Dec. 19—Christmas eve, William Shepherd and his wife will attend the community celebration at a small church near their farm home just outside Watoga.

On Christmas Shepherd and his five brothers and sisters and their families will gather at the home of his widowed mother for a goose dinner. The gathering is a yearly event.

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Confections Galore Test Christmas Cooks



array of Christmas candies.

By Mrs. Alexander George (Author of "Menus of The Day") Home-made candies and other confections, artistically arranged, make an attractive Christmas gift with a personal touch.

Candied Fruit Peel (To tuck into the box corners) 2 cups orange quarters, 1/2 cup sugar, 2-3 cup boiling water. Wash the orange quarters and cover by 3 inches with water.

Chocolate Nut Roll (Chocolate part) 2 cups sugar, 2 tablespoons butter, 2 squares chocolate, 1 teaspoon vanilla, 2-3 cup water, 1/2 cup nuts, broken.

White Part 2 cups sugar, 2-3 cup milk, 2 tablespoons butter, 1 teaspoon vanilla. Mix the sugar, milk and butter. Cook over moderate fire, stirring frequently until soft ball forms.

Peanut Brittle (Stands transportation well) 1/2 cup sugar, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1 cup oil, 1 cup peanuts. Sprinkle sugar over bottom of large frying pan. Heat slowly and stir constantly with wooden spoon until light brown syrup forms.

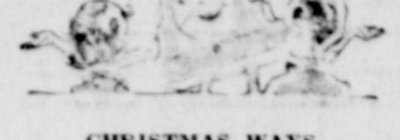
There will be snow rotations and choruses by the children of the neighborhood after which a Santa Claus will distribute gifts to the youngsters.

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Personal Interest The Officers and employees of our BANK feel a personal interest in every one of our accounts. To help you get the most good out of your Banking Connections... and out of your own business... is a fixed part of our relations with our patrons. 44 Years of Dependable Service THE First National Bank ESTAB OF BALLINGER TEXAS ESTAB 1886 SINCE 1886

roll up, shaping into a roll 1 1/2 inches thick. Allow to set. Cut off 1-3-inch slices and wrap in waxed paper. Dates, raisins or marshmallows may be used in place of the nuts.

SUNDOWN STORIES



CHRISTMAS WAYS

By Mary Graham Bonner The reindeer's bells were jingling as the Little Black Clock took them down the magic path. They knew that it meant they were going up to visit Santa Claus again, and certainly they were pleased.

arrived and gave them each a big juicy orange. Then he told them to come inside the shop so he could talk to them while he was working. What a place this was! Santa Claus before his work table, all the toys, the cozy old stove, and Great Boy, Santa's dog, sitting nearby—while outside were the reindeer.

"I wonder if you'd like a soup made of sweet almonds and cream?" Santa asked John and Peggy. "I don't believe you would," Santa answered his own question, "so I'll give you some cookies instead."

"But over in Spain that is one of their favorite Christmas dishes," he continued, as he handed the cookies—delicious cookies—to John and Peggy. "They go wandering down the hills, over the valleys, across the meadows, through the villages," he continued, "singing carols, early on Christmas Eve, before I have delivered my presents."

earth travels slowly around the sun so that some parts of the earth are facing the rays of the sun at one time, while at others they are not. And this is what makes the daylight and dark. "In the eastern part of Canada, for instance, it is eight o'clock in the evening when it is seven o'clock in the evening for those living around New York—and that gives me a whole extra hour for delivering my presents. "You'll have some more cookies? Good!"

(Tomorrow—"Santa's Visits")

For Christmas Electric Lamps; Tables—Bridge and Juniors KING-HOLT CO. tld

LARGE RED ORK IN TEXAS

(By Associated Press) NACOGDOCHES, Tex., Dec. 19.—Probably the largest red oak tree in Texas is located on the Nacogdoches high school grounds. The tree is seven feet in diameter, about 80 feet in height and has a limb spread that covers a circular area 120 feet in diameter.

Honor for Lord Sankey OXFORD, England, Dec. 19.—(AP)—Lord Sankey has been named eighth steward of Oxford University, succeeding the late Lord Birkenhead.

PALACE Today and Saturday ZANE GREY'S 'THE BORDER LEGION' A Paramount Picture Richard Arlen, Jack Holt, Fay Wray and Eugene Pallette. Gripping drama of death - daring gold - rush days! Monkey Comedy Voice of Hollywood Kids, don't forget the big free show Xmas Eve morning. Bring food or toys for the poor, 500 prizes to be given away. Don't miss it!

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Queen TODAY - SATURDAY SYNDICATED ACTRESS BOB HELL Grippin drama of death - daring gold - rush days! WESTERN HONOR also "Sporting Youth" Added Features BOBBIE NELSON in "POST OF HONOR"

See Our CHRISTMAS DISPLAY Prices are Right L. C. DAUGHERTY DRUG STORE Victor Dealers

NEW SCHEDULE Ballinger-Junction Bus Line Connect at Eden at 8:45 a. m. for Brady, Mason, Fredericksburg, Austin, San Antonio, Ar. San Antonio 3:30 p. m. Lv. Ballinger 7:00 a. m. Ar. Junction 11:30 a. m. Lv. Junction 12:00 Noon Ar. Ballinger 4:15 p. m.

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PUFFY



"It's a small old world," says Mr. Puffy. "If only you travel around it enough. Those squirrels which keep that lady warm were friends of mine back on the farm."

DOROTHY DARNIT

Comic strip panels showing a man and a woman talking. Panel 1: Man: "WILL YOU TELL YOUR FATHER I'D LIKE TO SEE HIM." Woman: "I'M MAD AT PAPA AND I DON'T TALK TO HIM." Panel 2: Man: "WHAT DID HE DO TO YOU?" Woman: "HE MADE ME GO TO BED WITHOUT MY SUPPER." Panel 3: Man: "OH THEN YOU SLEPT ON AN EMPTY STOMICK." Woman: "NO I DIDN'T." Panel 4: Man: "I SLEPT ON MY BACK."

By Charles McManus

Letters to Old Santa

"Dear Old Santa:
"I don't want very much but I do want a pair of boots and an air gun."
"Don't forget the poor children, please bring them something."
"Your friend,
"Melvin Witter."

"Dear Old Santa Claus:
"I wish you would bring me a doll and a buggy and that is all but please bring mother and father some clothes and bring my little sister a doll buggy."
"Your little friend,
"Lola Sides."

"Dear Santa Claus:
"I want a doll and some beads and please bring my mother and brother something. Bring the poor children presents too."
"Your friend,
"Mattie Lavera Harris."

"Dear Santa Claus:
"I like old Santa because he brings presents to me. Please be sure and bring me something and don't forget the poor children."
"Your little friend,
"Ira Jack Spann."

"Dear Santa Claus:
"I want a little doll and a trunk, and some candy, fruit and nuts, and please bring some fireworks. Be kind to us. I want a big rubber ball, some beads and a book satchel. Please, Santa, bring my little sister something."
"Your little friend,
"Johnny Ruth McFarland."

"Dear Santa:
"Come to my house Christmas night and bring me something. We made a picture of you and you can see it. Good-bye Santa."
"Your little friend,
"Mack Pratt."

"Dear Old Santa:
"I know this is going to be a hard Christmas and all I want is a big wagon. I want a good one, and some fire-crackers and lots of candy."
"Is it cold up at the North Pole? I love snow. We have been making a picture of you. You are a jolly old fellow. I will be kind to all the poor children. Be good."
"Your friend,
"Weldon David Cosper."

"Dear Old Santa:
"I want a doll. Be sure to remember the little poor children. Please remember mother and father. I want everyone to be happy Christmas."
"Wishing everybody a Merry Christmas."
"Your little friend,
"Billie Nell Hinkle."

"Dear Santa:
"Please bring me some presents and bring all the poor children presents too. I like you and you are a good friend."
"Your friend,
"Richard William Routh."

"Dear Santa:
"Santa, I like you and will you please bring me a football. And Santa please bring my mother and grandmother something and my daddy, too. Don't forget the poor children."
"Your friend,
"Simeon Cottelle, Jr."

"Dear Santa:
"I want an electric train and please bring my mother something. And bring the poor children something too."
"Your friend,
"Walter Wallace Trimmer."

"Dear Santa:
"I want a doll and I want a

doll bed, and a doll trunk and buggy, a ring and a strand of beads. Bring my father and mother something and don't forget the poor children. Please bring my brother and sister and our baby some presents too."
"Good-bye Santa,
"Your friend,
"Marjorie Bryan."

"Dear Santa:
"I am glad you will be here soon. Don't forget the poor children. Will you bring Claudie a baby doll and anything else she wants? Don't forget mother, father and big mama. Bring Marie something she wants and please bring me a doll bed."
"Your friend,
"Lola Margaret Cunningham."

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NOTICE
Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway Company has been called by the Directors of said corporation, to be held at the principal office of the corporation in the City of Galveston, Texas, on the 23rd day of February, 1931, at eleven o'clock a. m., for the purpose of submitting to the stockholders the question of increasing the authorized capital stock of the corporation from Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000), consisting of One Hundred Thousand (100,000) shares of the par value of One Hundred Dollars (\$100) each, to Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000), consisting of Two Hundred Thousand (200,000) shares of the par value of One Hundred Dollars (\$100) each, and to do all things and give all proper authorizations to carry out and effectuate such increase.

GEO. N. YARD,
Secretary of Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway Company. dec 8-60td

WORKING ON HIGHWAY
(By Associated Press)
ROBERT LEE, Dec. 19.—Work is progressing on the highway to the Tom Green county line and already is open for travel for some 12 miles. The highway on the north side of the county has been completed to the Mitchell county line.

LEGION TO BUILD HOME
(By Associated Press)
LAREDO, Dec. 19.—An indefinite lease on a block of land without any cost has been given the Laredo Post of the American Legion by the City of Laredo and a building committee has laid plans for the building of a \$10,000 home for the post.

RADIOS FOR POLICE FAVORED
(By Associated Press)
HOUSTON, Dec. 19.—A program involving the installation of radio receiving sets in police automobiles and the erection of a transmitting station has been approved tentatively by Mayor Walter E. Monteth.

The announcement was one of a number advising of the determination of authorities to proceed with renewed vigor against crime.
The radio equipment, which officials believed would enable officers to be fast one the trail almost immediately after the commission of crime, would cost around \$10,000.

Hurry Goodfellows, Goal Now in Sight

Ballinger people are rallying to the Goodfellow cause and with four more days for giving, the poor in Ballinger should have plenty for Christmas day at least and not a child in the city need be forgotten by Santa Claus.
Donations came slow for some time but as Christmas draws near citizens are coming in with donations in a great way, and while more than \$100 is yet needed, the total sum is expected to go over the top before Christmas eve.
The canvassing committees announced Friday morning that at least fifty families would have to be helped this year and in addition a large number of children would not be visited by Santa Claus unless the Goodfellows came to the rescue. The number of needy families is double that of last year and the distribution committee will have to stretch its dollars to make the funds do what should be done.
Money, clothes and toys will be received until late Christmas eve and the committeemen will work until late in the night and on Christmas morning if necessary to see that all are supplied.
The committee will begin deliveries shortly after noon next Wednesday, leaving from the fire station. The West Texas Utilities

Company will furnish trucks to transport the goods to the homes. All food, clothing, bedding and toys will be assembled at the fire station and a large number of workers will act as assistants to old St. Nicholas.

Previously reported \$243.35
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Trimmer 3.00
Paul Trimmer Jr. 1.00
Walter Trimmer 1.00
Mr. and Mrs. R. E. White 2.50
Mr. and Mrs. Mike C. Boyd 2.50
H. H. Carsey 2.00
Paul Killam 5.00

For Christmas
Special prices on Home Furnishings.
KING-HOLT CO. tfd

TWENTY BLOODED POLO PONIES REACH BRADY
(By Associated Press)
BRADY, Dec. 19.—A string of twenty Kentucky thoroughbreds, descendants of the best blood lines of America and Europe, have been received by White and Strickland of Brady, breeders of polo ponies and race horses.

If these young horses run true to the record of their ancestry, plenty of fast competition in the two-year old class in the Heart of Texas Race meets next year is looked for. Four of them have already been sold to the John Oliver stables of San Saba.

MOVIES

Romantic Zane Grey Western Story on Palace Screen as a Talkie

Zane Grey's thrilling romantic West is brought vividly to the all-talking screen in Paramount's latest gripping drama of the outdoors, "The Border Legion," which is showing today and Saturday at the Palace Theatre. Richard Arlen is the hero of the story; Fay Wray is the heroine, and Jack Holt, that beloved portrayer of Zane Grey Western roles, is his own swaggering, handsome self as the leader of the daring robber band.
Arlen has the role of Jim Cleve, a young cowboy who, through the operation of frontier justice, is forced to become a member of Jack Holt's ruthless group of desperadoes. Arlen is making a new name for himself in these popular roles. In "The Border Legion" he probably has one of his strongest roles.
Holt, star of "Submarine," "Flight," and a number of other recent all-talking productions, won much of his screen fame in Zane Grey roles. Of the twenty-four Zane Grey stories filmed by Paramount, Holt played roles in eleven. He has a villain part in "The Border Legion," but he is a swaggering, masterful villain who wins audience sympathy. It is reported to be one of his finest

characterizations.
Fay Wray has the only important feminine role in the story. The plot, set in the riotous gold-rush days in California, is a man-plotted, a story of virile and stirring action, into which Miss Wray introduces a glowing touch of love and romance.
"The Border Legion" is said to be alive with thrills, action, suspense, daring, courage, romance. Otto Brower and Edwin H. Knopf directed the picture, and filming was done in the beautiful natural backgrounds of the California high Sierras, where many spectacular scenes were made.

CITY LAKE BRINGS CITY LARGE SUM FROM SPORTS

(By Associated Press)
COLEMAN, Dec. 19.—Lake Scarborough, source of Coleman's water supply, is proving profitable as a resort for hunters and fishermen. To date this year has made the city \$1,104.70 from the sale of hunting and fishing privileges. Last year receipts totaled \$988.75.

Cabinets of 100 sheets of fine paper and 100 envelopes to match, secretary size, either printed or monogrammed at Ballinger Printing Co. These will solve Christmas problems. 12-8td*

Ten sets of twins and a set of triplets are enrolled in the Utah grade school at Salt Lake City, Utah.

McCARVER WILL PLAY IN DIXIE GRID

Clarence ("Nig") McCarver, football player with Payne College, Brownwood, for two years voted the best individual player in the Texas Conference, will report to Dallas, December 26 for duty with the southwestern team in the Dixie football classic to be played at Dallas on January 1.

A list of players for this contest includes stars from all schools of the Southwestern Conference and McCarver from the Texas Conference. The game is an annual affair and in recent years has attracted many fans from all over the South.

Printed cabinet of secretary size stationery makes ideal Christmas gift. See them at The Ledger office. 12-8td*

STUDENTS LIKE CHICKEN

(By Associated Press)
FORT WORTH, Dec. 19.—Fried chicken is the favorite food of Texas Christian University students, according to Mrs. Georgia Harris, stewardess of the T. C. U. cafeteria.

"Students seem to like everything there is to eat," Mrs. Harris observes, "but if there is one dish that is favored above others it is fried chicken."

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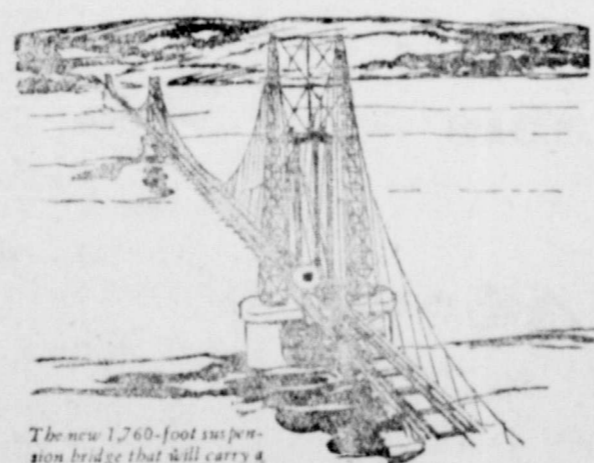
A Story of Two MILLION DOLLARS

TWO million dollars is a lot of money. Suppose you had to spend that much in just one summer. What a glorious time you could have! Let's a pleasant thought, but let's find out how your gas company really did spend two million dollars last summer. It will interest you because you are going to receive most of the benefits.

This story is about the big annual task of getting ready for the enormous winter demand for gas. The work begins in the spring and lasts until fall.

Without compressor stations it would be impossible to send gas through the pipe lines fast enough to supply everyone with gas during cold weather. So naturally one of the largest projects of the past summer's program was the erection of three new compressor stations.

A huge new compressor station erected at Brad, 25 miles west of Mineral Wells, involved the building of a 20,000,000-gallon lake, its water to be used in cooling the big compressor engines. Another compressor station was built at Joshua, 18 miles southeast of Fort Worth, and another was



This is a section of the new pipe line that was built west of Brad this past summer.

erected in the X-Ray field in Erath County. There were fifteen compressor engines installed in these three new compressor stations.

A gigantic 1250 horse power engine was added to the immense compressor station at Petrolia, making a total of 7,500 horse power at this one station. In all there are 27 compressor stations, to help send gas to you this winter when the thermometer goes down.



A view of the 20,000,000-gallon lake that was built to cool the compressor engines at Brad.

One of the unusual engineering feats accomplished during the summer was taking up and re-laying 80 miles of pipe, north of Petrolia, leading from the Oklahoma gas fields. This pipe was lifted out of the ditch, scraped free of dirt and corroded material, old joints replaced with new, treated with a protective covering, thoroughly tested, and re-laid in the ditch. This was done to further insure you a constant flow of gas this winter.

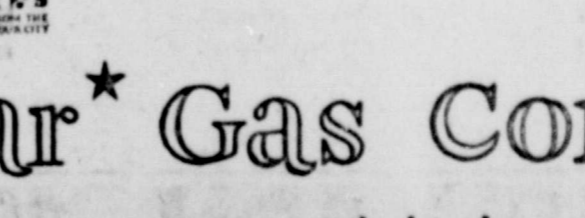
Many new miles of pipe line were added to the net work of the company's system, which now contain 3700 miles of main pipe line.

Work is now under way on the construction of a suspension bridge to carry a pipe line from Oklahoma over the Red River. The two main towers of this bridge are 103 feet high, and it will have a total length, from anchor to anchor, of 1760 feet. Its completion will eliminate the last hazardous river crossing on the Lone Star system.

But, of course, all of this mechanical equipment would be of no avail without a plentiful supply of natural gas. So during this year, 65 wells were drilled to add to the more than 1,000 wells the Lone Star Gas Company already operates in 31 fields.

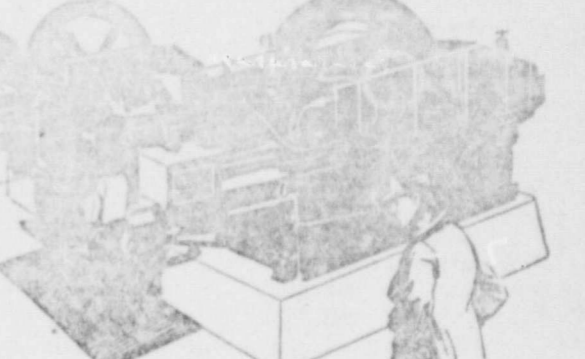
Now with all of this marvelous equipment and bountiful supply of gas, someone must see that you receive the fullest benefit from both. The gas dispatcher is that man. When a "blue norther" swoops down with breath-taking suddenness, he is the one who sees to it that you have a constant flow of gas. At his command is a small army of telephone operators, compressor station attendants, field men, truck drivers, repair men—all co-ordinated through 1,200 miles of private telephone wires, that vibrate with rapid-fire orders.

In this mammoth two million-dollar summer construction program of the Lone Star Gas Company, hundreds of men were given employment and hundreds of thousands of dollars paid them in wages.



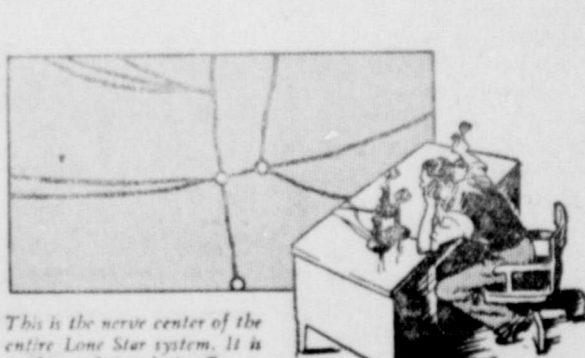
During the 22 years that the Lone Star Gas Company has been serving the Southwest, it has expended millions of dollars yearly for improving its service to you. Today its investment totals one hundred million dollars!

The summer's activities just described are by no means unusual. Every summer new equipment must be purchased and new improvements built. And it was only through this foresighted policy of the Lone Star Gas Company that



This is what the seven 170-horse power compressor engines look like at the new Brad compressor station.

it was able to keep a constant flow of gas coming to you through the unexpected bitter cold of last winter when the thermometer went down below zero.



This is the nerve center of the entire Lone Star system. It is the gas dispatcher's office.

There is one thought that is always upper-most in the minds of every member of the vast Lone Star organization. It is, "the gas must be there"—wherever and whenever it is required by you.

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Seniors Too Much For Underclassmen

A good sized crowd of football fans witnessed one of the best games of the year at Fair Park Thursday afternoon when the seniors of Ballinger high school met and defeated the lower classmen 13 to 0. The game was hard fought from start to finish and started with the lower classmen carrying the ball down the field within a short distance of the goal line, only to lose it on downs, not being able to carry the ball across for a counter.

Due to the regular Bearcat line being on the senior team, the lowerclassmen resorted to a passing game and completed many for good gains. Hard luck fell to them in the last quarter when Partridge received a pass from Marsh and rushed across the senior line only to be called back and receive a penalty. Marsh had been passing too near the line of scrimmage and this was responsible for the penalty after the touchdown had been made.

"Sad" Sam Jones started a campaign of line smashing for the seniors in the second quarter and kept it up for the remainder of the game. His terrific smashes at the line with the help of the husky seniors in their own line made him impossible to stop and he reeled off many yards and twice carried the ball across the line for touchdowns. After one score a pass for extra point was incomplete and the last score Sims carried the ball over behind good interference.

For the underclassmen several men starred and it is to these boys that the fans must look for the club next year. Bailey at tackle stopped many plays and showed lots of fight all the way. Kemp, another big fellow, looked good at tackle and fought a hard game. McIntire proved that he can catch passes and carry the ball for the underclassmen and turned in a nice game for them. Partridge, Marsh, Flynt and McWilliams also showed up well in the backfield, and in the line Lynn, McWilliams, Straley and Hutto played good games.

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Society

Elliott-Copeland Nuptials
 In a beautiful setting in the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Douglass, Miss Jennie Louise Copeland of Cleburne became the bride of Rainey Elliott of Hobbs, New Mexico, this morning at 8:30 o'clock.

The beauty of the Douglass home on Broadway was enhanced with a lovely floral decoration throughout the entire reception suite. Gorgeous white chrysanthemums and Lady Hillingdon roses with maiden hair fern were used in artistic arrangement. The fireplace with its embankment of maiden hair ferns and white chrysanthemums, formed the background for the wedding.

Rev. T. E. Bowman officiated, using the impressive ring ceremony. Only very close friends and relatives were present.

Mrs. Frank Pearce sang "At Dawning" preceding the service.

with Mrs. Robert Bruce playing her accompaniment. Miss Marjorie McAdams played Mendelssohn's Wedding March for the entrance of the couple and their two attendants.

The bride was wearing a chocolate brown crepe model with all accessories in the same shade.

Miss Frances Veale, of Breckenridge, the maid of honor, wore an attractive tailored wool crepe frock in a new blue shade.

The groom's only attendant was Gordon Copeland of Cleburne, a brother of the bride.

For traveling the bride changed to a sport suit of cobalt blue with felt hat, bag and other accessories in brown.

Immediately following the wedding Mr. and Mrs. Elliott left for their home in Hobbs.

Mrs. Elliott is the elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Copeland of Cleburne and a niece of Mrs. Douglass. She has spent much time here visiting and has a host of friends among the older people as well as among those

of the younger set. She graduated from the Cleburne high school four years ago and attended Texas Christian University for two years.

Mr. Elliott is the son of Judge and Mrs. J. M. Elliott of Memphis and lived there until leaving for college. He graduated from T. C. U. with spring class of 1930 and since the time has been an employe of the Oil Well Supply company at Hobbs, N. M.

It was during Mrs. Elliott's freshman year in T. C. U. that the romance started which culminated in the wedding today.

The bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Copeland, her brothers, Gordon and Bob, and a sister, Mary, were here for the wedding.

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ALL SCOUT MEETINGS HERE ARE POSTPONED

Scoutmasters have decided to postpone all meetings of the Ballinger troops until after the holidays. A number of the boys will be working and it is thought that it would be difficult to secure attendance during the Christmas season.

About the first of the year regular meetings will be resumed and a notice issued for the first called meeting.

Miss Nanell Jones is here from Southwest Texas State Teachers College at San Marcos to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Jones.

Princess Aids Needy
 TURIN, Italy, Dec. 13.—(AP)—Needy of this city will be aided this winter through the offices of Princess Maria of Piedmont, who has started a fund with a personal donation of \$500.

BALLINGER VIOLINIST TO APPEAR AT DALLAS

Miss Katherine Todd left Friday afternoon for Dallas and Sunday morning will appear as soloist at the First Baptist Church of that city. This is the church of which Dr. George W. Truett is pastor. The entire service will be broadcast by radio.

All Cars—

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 its cost very freely with few exceptions. The program is being financed by private subscriptions. Ballinger merchants making it possible for visitors here to see the show absolutely free.

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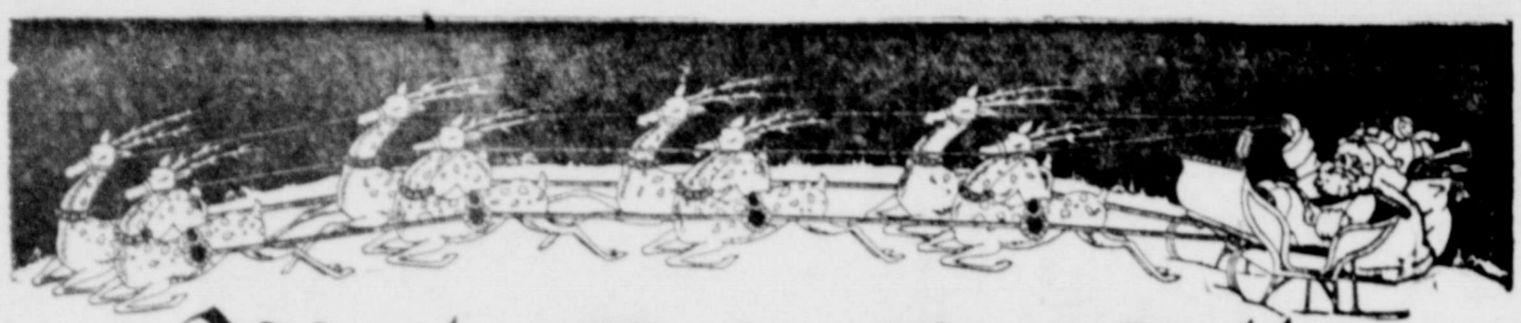
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